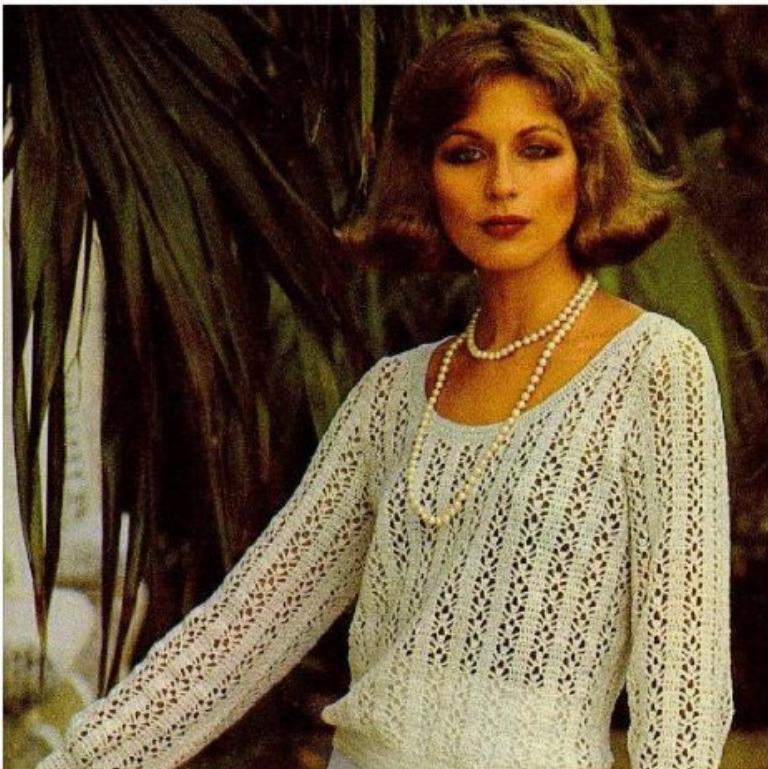
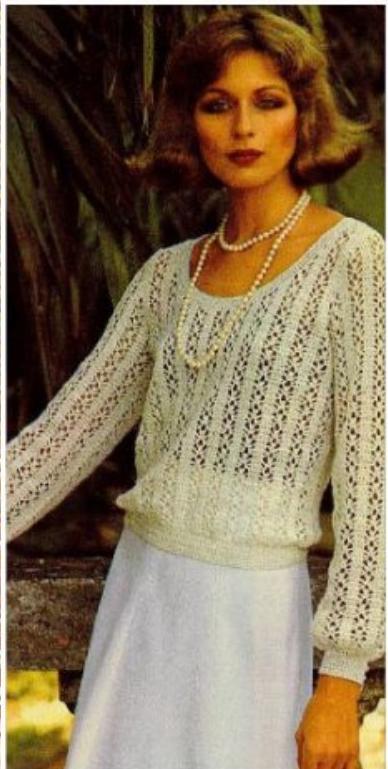


VINTAGE 1970s PDF

CROCHET PATTERN
Evening Blouse



EVENING BLOUSE

SIZES: Directions for small size (6-8) Changes for medium size (10-12-14) are in parentheses. **Note:** Directions are the same for all sizes; only the hook size is different. Gauge determines size.

Body Bust Size: 30½"-31½" (32½"-34"-36").

Blocked Bust Size: 35½" (39").

MATERIALS: Reynolds Cotillion, 8 (10) 30-gram balls. Steel crochet hook No. 1 (0). Six buttons.

GAUGE: 2 pats (2 4/dc groups and 2 lace panels) = 2¾"; 4 rows = 1" (No. 1 hook). 1 pat = 1½"; 7 rows = 2" (No. 0 hook).

To Bind Off: At beg of row, sl st across specified number of pats or sts; at end of row, leave specified pats or sts unworked.

BLOUSE: BACK: Beg at lower edge, above border, ch 147.

Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in next ch, * ch 3, sk next 2 ch, sc in each of next 3 ch, ch 3, sk next 2 ch, dc in next 4 ch, repeat from * across, end last repeat dc in each of last 3 ch—12 4/dc groups, 3-dc groups on each side and 13 lace panels. Turn each row.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), dc in next 2 dc, * ch 3, sk next sc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next sc, ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, repeat from * across, end last repeat dc in last 2 dc, dc in top of turning ch.

Row 3: Ch 3, dc in next 2 dc, * ch 2, sc in next ch-3 lp, ch 3, sk next ch-3 lp, sc in next ch-3 lp, ch 2, dc

in next 4 dc, repeat from * across, end last repeat dc in last 2 dc, dc in top of turning ch.

Row 4: Ch 3, dc in next 2 dc, * ch 3, sk next ch-2 lp, work 3 sc in ch-3 lp, ch 3, dc in next 4 dc, repeat from * across, end last repeat dc in last 2 dc, dc in top of turning ch. Repeat rows 2-4 for pat until piece measures 12½" (13½") from start or 1¼" (1½") less (border allowance) than desired length to underarm. Check gauge; piece should measure 17¾" (19½") wide.

Shape Armholes: **Row 1:** Bind off (see To Bind Off) 3-dc panel each side.

Row 2: Work in pat.

Row 3: Bind off 1 lace panel each side.

Row 4: Work in pat as established.

Row 5: Bind off 1 4-dc group each side.

Rows 6-8: Repeat rows 2-4—10 4-dc groups, 9 lace panels remain. Work in pat as established until armholes measure 3½" (4½") above first row of armhole shaping.

Shape Neck: Work in pat across 4 4-dc groups, drop yarn, sk next 2 4-dc groups, join another strand of yarn in first dc of next 4-dc group, ch 3, dc in next 3 dc, finish row—4 4-dc groups on each side. Working on both sides at once, with separate strands of yarn, bind off 4 dc at each neck edge of next row. Work 1 row even. Bind off 1 lace panel at each neck edge of next row. Work 1 row even. Bind off 4 dc at each neck edge of next row. Work 1 row even. Bind off ½ lace pat at each neck edge of next row. Work 1 row even. Repeat last 2 rows once. Bind off 2 dc at each neck edge of next row—1 4-dc group, 1 lace panel and 2 dc at each neck edge on both sides. Work in pat as established until armholes measure 7½" (8½") above first row of armhole shaping. End off.

FRONT: Work as for back, beg neck shaping as soon as armhole shaping is completed.

SLEEVES: Beg at lower edge, above border, ch 102. Work in pat same as for back on 8 4-dc groups, 3-dc groups on each side and 9 lace panels for 16" (17") or 1½" (1¾") less (border allowance) than desired length to underarm.

Shape Cap: **Row 1:** Repeat armhole shaping row 1.

Row 2: Repeat armhole shaping row 3.

Rows 3 and 4: Bind off 2 dc each side.

Row 5: Bind off ½ lace panel each side.

Row 6: Work even.

Rows 7 and 8: Repeat rows 5 and 6.

Rows 9-12: Bind off 1 dc each side.
Repeat rows 5-12 once.

Next Row: Bind off 1 lace panel

each side—2 4-dc groups remain. End

FINISHING: Block pieces. Sew shoulder seams. Sew in sleeves. Sew side and sleeve seams, leaving 2" at lower edge of each sleeve open.

Lower Border: Join yarn in side seam.

Rnd 1: From right side, sc in first 3 sts, * sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in center sc of 3-sc group, sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 4 dc, repeat from * around, end sc in last 3 sts. Join with a sl st in first sc; do not turn.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join; do not turn.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, sk first st, dc in each st around. Join with a sl st in top of ch 3; do not turn.

Rnds 4-7: Repeat rnd 2. End off.

Sleeve Band: From right side, join yarn at beg of lower edge of sleeve opening.

Row 1: Sc in first st, sk next st, sc in next st, * sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in center sc of next 3-sc group, sc in next ch-2 sp, (sk next st, sc in next st) twice, repeat from * across lower edge of sleeve, end last repeat sc in last st. Ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Sc in each sc across. Turn each row.

Rows 3-8: Ch 3, sk first st, dc in each st across. End off.

Work 3 5-ch buttonloops on outer edge of each cuff. Sew a button opposite each buttonloop.

Neckband: Join yarn in right shoulder seam.

Rnd 1: Sc around neck edge, holding in to desired fit. Join; turn each rnd.

Rnds 2-4: Ch 3, sk first st, dc in each st around. Join. End off.

CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS

ch—chain stitch
st—stitch
sts—stitches
lp—loop
inc—increase
dec—decrease

sk—skip
p—picot
tog—together
rnd—round
beg—beginning
sc—single crochet

sl st—slip stitch
dc—double crochet
hdc—half double crochet
tr—treble or triple crochet
dtr—double treble crochet
tr tr—treble treble crochet

bl—block
sp—space
cl—cluster
pat—pattern
yo—yarn over hook



Gently gleaming evening blouse is worked in a lace-stripe pattern of dress yarn frosted with iridescent lights. Waistline is softly boused over lower border, added later; sleeves are puffed above the buttoned cuffs. Neckline is a wide U, higher in back than in front. Directions for making Evening Blouse start on opposite page.

